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May 19, 2005

IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **PD-6**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**EXCHANGE OF CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDS FOR
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GASOLINE TAX FUNDS
CITY OF SIGNAL HILL-COUNTY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Chair of the Board to sign the enclosed agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Signal Hill providing for the City to exchange \$22,500 of its Federal Surface Transportation Program funds for an equal sum of County gasoline tax funds. Funding for the payment of \$22,500 to the City of Signal Hill is available in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Fiscal Year 2004-05 Public Works Road Fund Budget.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Your Board's approval of the enclosed agreement is necessary to effect the exchange of \$22,500 of the City of Signal Hill's Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds for an equivalent amount of County gasoline tax funds.

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The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority has established procedures that permit the transfer of STP funds between public agencies. The approval of the enclosed agreement is required under these procedures. This exchange of funds is mutually beneficial to and in the general interest of the City and the County.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence as it provides the City with less restrictive funds for the improvements of its local streets for the benefit of the motoring public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Your Board's approval of the enclosed agreement will result in no direct fiscal impact on the County General Fund. The County's payment of gasoline tax funds to the City will be offset by the STP funds received by the County for use on a qualifying County road construction project, which would have otherwise been financed with gasoline tax funds.

The \$22,500 in gasoline tax funds to be paid to the City of Signal Hill is available in the Fourth Supervisorial District's Fiscal Year 2004-05 Public Works Road Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed agreement provides for the City of Signal Hill to assign \$22,500 of the City's available STP funds to the County and the County to pay to the City, following the execution of the agreement, \$22,500 in County gasoline tax funds.

The agreement has been approved by the City of Signal Hill and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This financial transaction does not constitute a project and is, therefore, exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The County will be processing Federal-aid eligible projects in unincorporated areas to which the City's assignment of STP funds can be obligated. The City intends to utilize the gasoline tax funds to improve local streets within the City that are not on the Federal-aid system.

CONCLUSION

Enclosed are two copies of the agreement, which have been approved by the City and approved as to form by County Counsel. Upon approval, please return the copy marked "CITY ORIGINAL" to us for processing together with one approved copy of this letter. The copy marked "COUNTY ORIGINAL" is for your files.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Acting Director of Public Works

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Enc.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

A G R E E M E N T A N D A S S I G N M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT, made and entered into by and between the CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, a municipal corporation in the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "CITY," and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY":

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, CITY desires to exchange Twenty-two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$22,500.00) of CITY Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds for a like amount of COUNTY gasoline tax funds; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority has procedures that permit the transfer of STP funds between public agencies; and

WHEREAS, such an exchange of funds is beneficial to and in the general interest of CITY and COUNTY.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived by CITY and COUNTY and of the promises herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

(1) CITY AGREES:

- a. To assign to COUNTY a fixed sum of Twenty-two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$22,500.00) of CITY'S STP funds. Such assignment shall be effective upon full execution of this AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT with no further action required by CITY.
- b. To accept COUNTY'S payment of Twenty-two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$22,500.00) in COUNTY gasoline tax funds, and to expend these funds in accordance with Article XIX of the California State Constitution.

(2) COUNTY AGREES:

- a. To accept CITY'S assignment of STP funds.
- b. To pay to CITY, following full execution of this AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT, Twenty-two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$22,500.00) in COUNTY gasoline tax funds.

(3) IT IS MUTUALLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- a. This AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT may be amended or modified only by mutual written consent of COUNTY and CITY.
- b. Any correspondence, communication, or contact concerning this AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT shall be directed to the following:

CITY:

Mr. Charlie Honeycutt
Director of Public Works
City of Signal Hill
2175 Cherry Avenue
Signal Hill, CA 90755-3799

COUNTY:

Mr. Donald L. Wolfe
Acting Director of Public Works
County of Los Angeles
Department of Public Works
P.O. Box 1460
Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

- c. It is understood and agreed that the provisions of Assumption of Liability Agreement No. 33747 between CITY and COUNTY, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on November 30, 1978, and currently in effect, are inapplicable to this AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT to be executed by their respective officers, duly authorized, by the CITY OF SIGNAL HILL on March 22, 2005, and by the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES on _____, 2005.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ATTEST:

By _____
Chair, Board of Supervisors

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of
the County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By Franklin E. Scott
Deputy

CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

By [Signature]
Mayor

ATTEST:

By Vincent L. Hanson
Deputy City Clerk

By [Signature]
City Attorney